

CHAPTER NO. 666

HOUSE BILL NO. 2823

By Representative Buck

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3231

By Senator Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 21; Title 55, Chapter 4 and Title 55, Chapter 8, relative to disabled drivers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-102(1)(A), is amended by deleting the language "or cause such person to walk with difficulty or insecurity" and substituting instead the language "or cause such person to be so ambulatorily disabled that he or she cannot walk two hundred feet (200') without stopping to rest".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-102(1)(C), is amended by deleting the language "experiencing difficulty or insecurity in walking" and substituting instead the language "so ambulatorily disabled that he or she cannot walk two hundred feet (200') without stopping to rest".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-103(f)(1), is amended by adding the following sentence:

Any person issued a permanent or temporary placard must submit a new certification pursuant to § 55-21-102(1)(A) or (C), prior to the department renewing such permanent or temporary placard.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-103(b)(2)(A)(i), is amended by deleting the word "revenue" in the last sentence and substituting instead the word "safety".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-108, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(e) Any person who is not a disabled driver as prescribed in § 55-21-102, and who willfully and falsely represents himself as meeting the requirements to obtain either a permanent or temporary placard commits a Class A misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 29, 2004



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of May 2004



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR